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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS CASC ET

SUBJ: TENNECO SEVEN

REF: KHARTOUM 1257

1. WE HAVE BEEN SEEKING OBTAIN AGREEMENT ON IEG TO A STATEMENT OF ITS POSITION ON RETALIATION. COL SOLOMON KADIR HAS DISCUSSED MATTER WITH ACTING MINISTER OF INTERIOR DEMISSIE TEFFERA. IEG WOULD PREFER GUARANTEE THAT IT WILL ENGAGE IN NO ACTION WHICH MIGHT INTERFERE WITH SPEEDY RELEASE OF TENNECO HOSTAGES AND WOULD NOT ENGAGE AFTER RELEASE IN HOT PURSUIT OF THOSE WHO HAVE HELD THEM. HOWEVER, IEG HAS NOW RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO COMMITMENT THAT "IT WILL TAKE NO RETALIATORY ACTION AGAINST THE GROUP WHICH HOLDS THE TENNECO HOSTAGES FOR HAVING HELD THEM." IEG HAS EMPHASIZED THAT THIS COMMITMENT DOES NOT EXCLUDE ACTION AGAINST CAPTORS FOR ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES. WE BELIEVE THIS FORMULATION IS FAR PREFERABLE TO FIRST ONE, WHICH CAME CLOSE TO IMPLYING THAT IEG WOULD SEEK SOME FORM OF LATER RETALIATION AGAINST CAPTORS.

2. CANADIAN AMBASSADOR AND I HAVE APPOINTMENT SEE ACTING MINISTER OF INTERIOR 11:00 JUNE 5. THIS WOULD  
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BE EXCELLENT TIME, IF DEPARTMENT AGREES, MAKE AT LEAST

INITIAL SOUNDING REGARDING IEG WILLINGNESS RELEASE  
POLITICAL PRISONERS IN EXCHANGE FOR TENNECO HOSTAGES.  
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